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GREETING FROM COUNCILMEMBER GIL CEDILLO

Friends,

This week was rewarding. We honored a brave Angelino that put his life in danger in order to take another person out of harm's way. We continued our P.E.A.C.E. agenda by completing additional clean-ups in the southern part of our district and moving a motion forward to expand our 'Keep It Clean' campaign to other neighborhoods. We honored the legacy of Archbishop Oscar A. Romero. We broke ground on the new LA State Historic Park and shed light on an issue in Mt. Washington. We joined the Mayor and Councilmember Huizar for a Budget 101 town hall. We leave you with a new section in our newsletter: Making the First Council District #1—a section that will highlight people and places that make our District #1.

This week we highlight a Lincoln Heights native that broke the gender barrier as LAPD's first Latina officer, Josephine Serrano Collier.

Gilbert A. Cedillo
Councilmember, District 1

LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

Honoring an Angel in Council: Jesus Delgado



(Photo Credit: Fredy Ceja)

On Tuesday, the LA City Council honored the man who saved a 4-year-old boy from a kidnapping attempt last month. Jesus Delgado was honored for stopping an attempted kidnapping on Feb. 26, 2014. He was working at T2 Tacos in Westchester when 4-year-old Grady O'Brien was almost kidnapped while walking home with his brother and their nanny.

The kidnapper, 33 year-old Andron Gazarov allegedly punched the nanny in the face and grabbed Grady as he ran off yelling "this is a kidnapping." Jesus Delgado and six students from nearby Westchester High jumped in to help and were able to subdue the would-be kidnapper until police arrived and arrested him.

In appreciation of Delgado's actions, the Westchester community and the public have raised more than \$26,000 to thank him for his good deed. A gofundme.com page was set to take contributions for Delgado.

Councilmember Cedillo called him an 'Angel' in the City of Angels.

Keep It Clean City-Wide



(Photo Credit: Fredy Ceja)

On Wednesday the Public Works committee heard a report from the Bureau of Sanitation pertaining to a motion by Councilmember Cedillo to expand the 'Keep It Clean' campaign to other parts of the City.

The motion instructs the Bureau of Sanitation (BOS) in consultation with the City Administrative Officer, and Council Offices to outline a proposal for an enhanced neighborhood cleanup program throughout the City. Recently, CD1 and BOS implemented a pilot program within First Council District boundaries. With data collected from the CD1 Clean Streets pilot (over 1,000 tons of trash collected and 286 alleys cleaned), the City Council can coordinate an immediate stepped-up effort to clean neighborhoods city-wide; not only of bulky items, but other waste in streets and alleys.

The department presented three options:

Option 1:

In this option LASAN will setup three teams that will be responsible for providing cleanups Citywide. The total cost for this option is \$7.1million.

Option 2:

This option offers the equivalent level of service provided in CD-1's "Keep it Clean" campaign. Under this option dedicated crews will be assigned to each council district. It's anticipated that the cost for this option will be in the range of \$25 to \$30 million.

Option 3:

This menu of options will allow each council office to select the level of service and use either dedicated General Fund or its discretionary funds to pay for that service.

Members of the Public Works committee recommended Option #2 (#3 as back-up) and hope

the other members of council will agree that cleaning our streets should be a City priority.

Read the motion and report [here](#).

Day of Remembrance of Archbishop Oscar A. Romero



(Photo Credit: Google)

Today the Council approved Councilmember Cedillo's resolution to proclaim March 24th, 2014 as "The Day of Remembrance of Archbishop Oscar A. Romero of El Salvador" on the occasion of the 34th Anniversary of his Martyrdom. Archbishop of San Salvador Monsignor Oscar A. Romero was the ultimate pastor of the Salvadoran people, representing the moral voice against the injustices and human rights violations that led Salvadorans to flee their country and seek refuge in the United States, thus establishing this community in major cities such as the city of Los Angeles.

March 24, 2014, is a special occasion as it will mark the 34th Anniversary of the martyrdom of Monsignor Oscar A. Romero. The City of Los Angeles joins the Salvadoran community in Los Angeles, and millions of followers in El Salvador and around the world to pay tribute to his life and teachings.

Read the resolution [here](#).

FIELD UPDATE

LA State Historic Park Groundbreaking



(Photo Credit: Melinda Alatorre)



(Photo Credit: LA Downtown News)

Last Saturday, Council Member Cedillo attended the Groundbreaking ceremony for the Los Angeles State Historic Park. The event was well attended by its present and former state officials, including Senator Kevin de León, Assemblymember Jimmy Gomez, and former Senator Richard Polanco and former Councilmember Ed Reyes. The Gabrielino/Tongva San Gabriel Band of Mission Indians Chief Redblood performed a beautiful blessing on the grounds to kick off the construction of the new park. The park will be under renovations until 2015. Improvements will include wetlands, a welcome center, increased pedestrian access and new restrooms to create a safer environment for attendees.

‘Keep It Clean” Community Clean-Ups Continue



(Photo Credit: Fredy Ceja)

In February, Field Deputy Ana Gomez kicked off the community clean up and education component of our 'Keep it Clean' Campaign in the communities of Westlake, Pico Union and Temple Beaudry. Since then, Council District 1 has sponsored or co-sponsored seven community clean ups. On Saturday we had pleasure of supporting 3 simultaneous clean-ups in the neighborhoods of Westlake and Pico Union in partnership with Berendo Middle School, CARECEN and the Olympic Community Police Station. We would like to thank the following partners for their community work in organizing the past community clean ups:

- Para Los Niños
- Pico Union Neighborhood Council
- St. Thomas Church
- Marylind Foundation
- CARECEN Day Laborer Center
- Berendo Middle School
- Olympic Police Station
- Westlake South Neighborhood Council
- Temple Beaudry Community Members

Upcoming community clean ups:

- March 31st Temple Beaudry meeting location TBD
- April 5th meet at Angelina Apartments (1336 Angelina St, Los Angeles, CA 90026)

To volunteer contact Ana Gomez at Ana.Gomez@lacity.org or (323)550-1538.

Budget 101 with Mayor Garcetti



(Photo Credit: Sergio Infanzon)



(Photo Credit: Team Gacetti)

On Wednesday, Councilmember Cedillo joined Mayor Garcetti, Councilmember Huizar and hundreds of community leaders at the Puente Learning Center for a Budget 101 town hall. Participants were engaged in an open discussion about the City's budget and issues impacting our community. Small groups with facilitators were formed to discuss in detail the existing challenges facing our neighborhoods. The three leaders participated directly walking through every one of the groups and at the end they listened to a brief presentation from representatives of every group. Councilmember Cedillo thanked all participants for making the right choice to be there that night and participate in a very important process. Mayor Garcetti closed the meeting stating that we need to work together to make of the City of Los Angeles a safe, livable, prosperous and well-rounded city.

Visit the Mayor's Open Budget website to find out more about the City's budget. Click [here](#).

Shedding Light on Mt. Washington



(Photo Credit: Pedro Ramirez)

Our staff in partnership with the Department of Water and Power (DWP) have once again improved the lives of our residents and community. Mr. Mark Espinoza, a resident of Mt. Washington came to our office seeking assistance with a lighting issue. The area in question

near his home received no light coverage and became a hotspot for criminal activity and vandalism. With the assistance of DWP and our office, we managed to install new lighting fixtures, which shed light on the issue! Mr. Espinoza also shared concerns over road/street safety, preserving local establishments such as Antojitos Guerrero while attracting new businesses.

Glad we were able to help Mr. Espinoza. We are making the first District #1, one issue at a time!

NEWS UPDATE

Neighborhood Tree Giveaway



Join us tomorrow for a tree give away. Free trees will be available for City of Los Angeles residents.

Neighborhood Tree Give Away

Saturday, March 22nd, 2014

9:00 AM - 12:00 PM

**Glassell Park Community Center (parking lot)
3750 Verdugo Rd, Los Angeles, CA. 90065**

Hosted by:

- Million Trees Los Angeles
- North East Trees
- Council District 1

For more information, please contact Aaron Thomas at (323) 441-4634 x12

CD1 Seeks Communications Intern (Unpaid)



Description

The Communications Department is an integral part of the First Council District. It is charged with managing communications with internal and external members.

Position Summary

The First Council District has an opening for a Communications Intern in Los Angeles City Hall, Downtown Los Angeles. Internships are unpaid and interns should be able to commit 15 to 20 hours per week, on average. The exact dates and hours will depend on intern's availability.

Position Qualifications

- Current student enrolled in a communications or public relations degree program at an accredited university or college
- Excellent and creative writing, editing and communication skills
- Flyer design capabilities preferred
- Strong interpersonal skills
- Ability to work quickly and on deadline
- Detail oriented
- Interest or background in communications/PR, the nonprofit sector, public service and/or government
- Interest in media; follows media trends and changes
- Strong organizational skills
- Strong research skills with a resourceful, can-do attitude

Contact

Please submit your resume, writing sample and a cover letter to Fredy Ceja at Fredy.Ceja@lacity.org.

Big Belly 50/50 Campaign



Councilman Cedillo continues to stay committed to cleaning up your streets. He invites you to help him 'Keep It Clean' by increasing the amount of trashcans available in our communities. The office is offering partnership opportunities for organizations that are interested in having a

solar powered compactor placed in a designated areas in CD1.

The way we collect trash can help maintain our streets clean. The City of Los Angeles is investing funds to replace basket like trash cans. In the spirit of public engagement and community partnership, this office is offering grant opportunities to purchase additional trash cans to promote the 'Keep It Clean' Campaign in District One of Los Angeles.

Why Solar Panel Trash Receptacles?

- Provides a solution to a common problem
- Improves existing operations & enhances efficiency
- Demonstrates commitment to cleanliness/sustainability
- Enhance overall well-being of the local area
- Increased capacity of more than 150 gallons means no overflows and collections can happen less frequently

One solar trash compactor is able to hold the equivalent of 5 regular trashcans. This program symbolizes an opportunity to keep our streets clean, and contribute to the economic vitality of the area. Overflowing trash can deter foot traffic and has unintended consequences. Partnering with us can show you care about where you live, work and spend your leisure.

Technology

Each trash can is equipped with a chip that delivers real-time data to the service provider, showing when the units are full and need to be picked up.

Maintenance

The Council Office will work with your organization to find a partner to help maintain trash collection.

Messaging Opportunities

The purchase of one trash can comes with an opportunity to promote your organization on side panels. In the spirit of the 50/50 program the sponsoring organization will have access to [2] panels on a single unit and [3] panels on a double unit.

For more information please contact Conrado Terrazas at (323) 550-1583 or conrado.terrazas@lacity.org.

MAKING THE FIRST DISTRICT #1

LAPD's First Latina Officer



(Photo Credit: LAPD)

This article appeared in the [Laist](#) on March 18th, 2014.

Josephine Serrano Collier, who became the first Latina LAPD officer when she joined the force more than 60 years ago, has died at the age of 91. Collier died on Feb. 25 at her home in Arizona, according to an LAPD press release.

Collier, who grew up in Lincoln Heights, worked on building P-38 Ventura fighter planes for Lockheed before being let go in favor of returning male veterans, according to the LAPD. Against her family's wishes, she applied to become a police officer in 1946. She was one of only nine out of 200 female applicants to make it to the force.

When her all-female class graduated, they received no ceremony, didn't get diplomas and didn't get a gun, according to the Women's Peace Officer Archives. When Serrano was transferred to the Lincoln Heights jail, she wore a nurse's outfit because no uniforms for women were created at the time. She would often work the night beat around Pershing Square, where she would arrest men looking for prostitutes along with her fellow lady cops.

It was in the LAPD when she met Darwin "Jack" Collier, whom she would marry. She eventually had to retire in 1960 due to back problems, and worked in the L.A. job corps before moving with her husband to Idaho and then to Arizona, where she died on Feb. 25.

It's local heroes like Josephine that make the First Council District #1. May she rest in peace.

UPCOMING EVENTS



**Keep It Clean Campaign
Student Community Clean Up**

Saturday, March 22, 2014
9:00 AM - 11:30 AM

Location 1:

Sotomayor Learning Academies
2050 N. San Fernando Rd, Cypress Park, CA. 90065
Contact: Baltazar Vega (323) 276-5525

Location 2:

Excel Charter Academy
1855 N. Main St. Lincoln Heights, CA. 90031
Contact: Yvette Frontanez (323) 222-5010

Location 3:

Santa Rosa Charter Academy
3838 Eagle Rock Blvd. Glassell Park, CA. 90065
Contact: Jorge Rosas (323) 254-1703



**Metabolic Studios Conversation 62:
Bending the River Back Into the City**

Saturday, March 22nd, 2014
10:00 AM – 1:00 PM
Lincoln Heights Senior Center
2323 Workman Street
Los Angeles, CA 90031



Patton Street Park & Garden Groundbreaking

Saturday, March 22nd, 2014
10:00 AM - 12:00 PM
317 Patton Street
Los Angeles, CA 90026



Neighborhood Tree Giveaway

Saturday, March 22nd, 2014

9:00 AM – 12:00 PM

Glassell Park Community Center

3750 Verdugo Road

Los Angeles, CA 90065



Free Magic Show

Saturday, March 22nd, 2014

2:00 PM

Lincoln Heights Branch

Los Angeles Public Library

2530 Workman Street, 90031

(323)226-1692



LADWP Stormwater Capture Master Plan Meeting

Wednesday, March 26th, 2014

6:00 PM - 8:00 PM

Los Angeles River Center

570 West Avenue 26

Los Angeles, CA 90065



Senior Healthcare Town Hall

Wednesday, March 26th, 2014

12:00 PM - 2:00 PM

Normandie Recreation Center

1550 Normandie Avenue

Los Angeles, CA 90006



LA City Attorney FREE Dispute Resolution Program

March 24th-28th, 2014

9:00 AM – 5:00 PM

(213) 485-8324

meidate@lacity.org



7TH Annual Peace in the Northeast Walk & Resource Fair

Saturday, March 29th, 2014

12:15 PM – 5:30 PM

Christian Assembly Church

2424 Colorado Boulevard

Los Angeles, CA 90041



19th Annual Community Job Fair

Saturday, March 29th, 2014

10:00 AM - 1:00 PM

Dodger Stadium

1000 Elysian Park Avenue

Los Angeles, CA 90012



UCLA Conversation on Immigration

Featuring Councilmember Cedillo

Thursday, April 10th, 2014

Edward R. Roybal Learning Center

1200 Colton Street

Los Angeles, CA 90026

advocacy@support.ucla.edu



LA Heat Taste Changing Condiments

March 13th - July 12th, 2014
Chinese American Museum
425 N. Los Angeles Street
Los Angeles, CA 90012



CCNP FREE Tax Preparation

Monday to Thursday: 10:00 AM - 6:00 PM
Closed Fridays
Saturdays: February 8 and 22, 10:00 AM -2:00 PM
March 8 and 22, 10:00 AM -2:00 PM
April 5 and 12, 10:00 AM -2:00 PM
Central City Neighborhood Partners
501 S. Bixel Street
Los Angeles, CA 90017



Free Tax Preparation

El Centro Del Pueblo Family Source Center
1824 Sunset Blvd. (between Sunset & Lemoyne)
Los Angeles, CA90026
(213) 483-6335 ext. 111



Free Artmaking Workshops

Cypress Park Family Source Center
Thursday, February 6th – April 17th, 2014
3:30 PM – 4:30 PM

929 Cypress Avenue
Los Angeles, CA 90065



LACC Art Exhibit

February 8th – March 1st, 2014
Avenue 50 Studio Gallery
131 North Avenue 50
Highland Park, CA 90042

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